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6                   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
7                   WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
8                   AT SEATTLE

9                   UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
10    Plaintiff,  
11    v.  
12                   MARIE CHRISTINE FANYO-PATCHOU,  
13    Defendant.

CASE NO. 19-146 JCC

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO  
REOPEN OR RECONSIDER  
DETENTION**

13                   The Court **DENIES** defendant's motion to reopen or reconsider detention. Dkt. 80.  
14                   Defendant seeks reconsideration arguing a friend has signed a lease for a Seattle apartment in  
15                   which defendant may reside. However, as the Court found in its order of detention, defendant is  
16                   from Cameroon and charged with interstate stalking. She was initially arrested on the east coast  
17                   and told the pretrial office there that her boyfriend is a "Mr. Smith." When she was interviewed  
18                   here in Seattle, she told the pretrial office her boyfriend is Mr. Epps and asked to be released to  
19                   live in Washington D.C. Mr. Epps apparently is willing to sign a lease for a Seattle Apartment.

20                   However, defendant's ties to the community are weak. Defendant has been in the country  
21                   for two years, lived in Maryland for less than a year and Washington D.C. for less than 4 months.  
22                   She has no family ties in this country as her family resides in Cameroon. Given defendants lack  
23                   of ties to any community, short length of time in the country and ties to Cameroon, she presents a

1 serious risk of flight. The availability of an apartment does not alter these risk factors. The  
2 government also proffered defendant was a primary instigator in the alleged offense which  
3 placed the alleged victim in jeopardy for his safety and that defendant is also a danger to  
4 community. The Court thus **ORDERS** defendant's motion to reconsider or reopen is **DENIED**.

5 DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2019.

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8 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
United States Magistrate Judge  
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